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In re application of:

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. Submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

a.  Previously submitted

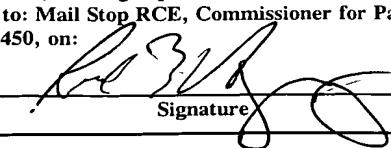
- i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on May 12, 2006
- ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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b.  Enclosed

- i.  Amendment/Reply
- ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Miscellaneous**

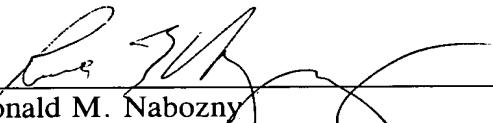
- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Fees**

- a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-3978
- b.  Check in the amount of \$1,120.00 enclosed (the Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-3978)
  - i.  RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) (\$790.00).
  - ii.  Extension of time fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17(a)(2) (less the amount paid under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1) paid May 12, 2006) (\$330.00).

Respectfully submitted,

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